Town of Hopkinton Elderly Exemption (RSA 72:39-a:)

The Town of Hopkinton has adopted an Elderly Exemption program. If qualified, the exemption is subtracted from the property assessment. The exemption for those who qualify is:

65-75 years of age as of April 1, 2011 = \$60,000 76-79 years of age as of April 1, 2011 = \$80,000 80+ years of age as of April 1, 2011 = \$100,000

Filing deadline is April 15, 2011 for the 2011 Tax Year
Applications are accepted after final tax bill in December 2010

Filing Procedures:

Applicant must fill out an Elderly Exemption Worksheet, *covering the full calendar year preceding April 1st,* along with a PA-29 "Permanent Application for Property Tax Credit/Exemptions", sign, date and submit to the Assessor's Office.

Listed below are the qualifications:

2009 ELDERLY EXEMPTION ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Must be 65 years of age on or before April 1, 2011.
- Must be the owner of record on or before April 1, 2011.
- Must reside in the State of New Hampshire for **3 years** on or before April 1, 2011.
- Married couples must have been married for **5 years** on or before April 1, 2011.
- Must occupy as their principal abode the property qualifying for the elderly exemption.

Income qualifications will include any income from all sources in the calendar year proceeding April 1st.

- Single person income not to exceed \$30,000
- Married persons joint income not to exceed \$40,000

Asset qualifications will include any assets on the date of application

- ♦ Assets not to **exceed \$150,000** (excluding the home in which they reside)
 - All other real estate owned
 - Checking and/or savings account balances
 - CD's, IRA's, mutual funds, stocks, bonds
 - Automobile(s)

The following documents <u>will be required</u> to verify eligibility: (Please bring documentation with you when applying.)

- Federal income tax forms
- State interest and dividends tax forms
- Statements for checking and/or savings accounts
- ♦ Statements for CD, IRA, stocks and/or bonds

All documents and copies of documents submitted with or requested to verify an application for a property tax credit, exception, or deferral are considered confidential and returned to the applicant after a decision is made on the application.

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